

## THE GAZETTE.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

### THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

JUNE 10, 1888.

To the Honorable Members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives: In accordance with the instructions of the national convention of 1884, a national convention of delegates representing the republican party will be held at the city of Chicago, Ill., on Tuesday, the 10th day of June, 1888, at 10 o'clock noon, for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President to be supported at the next national election, and for the transaction of such other business as may be there presented.

Republicans electors in the several states, and those without regard to past political affiliation, difference of opinion as to the merits of the American principle of a protective tariff for the defense and development of home industries and the elevation of home labor, who would reduce the national taxes and prevent the accumulation of the surplus in the treasury in harmony with this principle; who are opposed to the attempt now more openly avowed than ever before to establish a policy which will keep down American labor to the level of the under-paid and oppressed workers of foreign lands; who favor a system of naval and coast defenses which will enable the United States to conduct its international negotiations with self-respect; who gratefully cherish the defense of the country, who exult in the progress of the country, and who are in favor of the continued and rapid exclusion of rapidly growing territories, which have an indelible title to admission into the sisterhood of states; who are in favor of free schools and popular education, a free and honest ballot and a fair count, the protection of every citizen of the United States in his legal rights at home and abroad, a foreign policy that shall extend our trade and commerce to every land and climate, and shall properly support the dignity of the nation and the promotion of friendly and harmonious relations and intercourse between all the states, are cordially invited to unite under the call in the formation of a national ticket.

Each state will be entitled to four delegates at large, and for each representative at large two delegates, and each congressional district one delegate, and the District of Columbia two delegates.

The delegates-at-large shall be chosen by popular state conventions, called in not less than twenty days published notice, and at least thirty days before the meeting of the national convention. The congressional district delegates shall be chosen in the same manner as the nomination of a member of congress is made in said districts. The territorial delegates shall be chosen in the same manner as the nomination of a member of congress is made in said territories. The delegates from the District of Columbia shall be chosen as a convention constituted of members elected in the primary district assemblies held under the call and direction of the republican central committee of said district.

All notices of contests must be filed with the national committee in writing, accompanied by printed statements of the grounds of contest which shall be made public. Preference in the order of hearing and determining contests will be given by the convention in accordance with the dates of filing of such notices and statements with the national committee.

B. F. Jones, Chairman.  
Samuel Fessenden, Secretary.  
Washington, Dec. 9, 1887.

**THE ST. CROIX LAND GRAB.**  
The Gazette has received from the supervisors of St. Croix county a copy of their memorial to congress in regard to the decisions of Secretary Lamar touching certain lands in this state. In one part of the memorial the supervisors say, "We may possibly be mistaken but it seems to us that since the foundation of the government there has not been on a large scale a more unjustifiable and unlawful acquisition of lands than the one which has been recently engineered by the Wisconsin railroads through the general land office at Washington."

Then come the comments of the Chicago Tribune: "There is no reason to believe the St. Croix county supervisors mistaken in this opinion, or that they characterize too severely the gigantic land grab hastily consummated by Secretary Lamar after ousting Sparks from the land-office and getting rid of his opposition. The removal of Sparks and the reversal of his decision were quickly followed by the transfer to the Wisconsin railroads of several hundred thousand acres of land never intended for them or promised them, but which were withheld from and denied them, not only by Sparks but by previous republican administrations. Is Secretary Lamar to pass fresh from an exploit of this character to a seat on the supreme bench? Is it true that the ousting of Sparks and the subsequent land grab were made conditions on which Lamar was to obtain the votes of several railroad land grant attorneys on the republican side in the senate, and thus make certain his confirmation as a justice of the supreme court?"

"Lamar's conduct was particularly strange when dealing with the Wisconsin land grants. These grants were guarded and precise in specifying the granted belt and limiting indemnity. The ambiguous language found in some of the grants is absent from the Wisconsin grants. The railroads themselves have admitted this fact before, and made it the basis of complaint in congress. They complained that they were treated in a thoroughly dishonest and asked to be allowed full indemnity, like other Wisconsin railroads—and congress refused the request."

"How comes it that they obtain from Lamar lands refused them by congress, and to which they confessed that they had no title? Why was it necessary to remove Sparks simply because he asked Lamar to reconsider his decision and hear an argument on behalf of the government before giving away the lands? Was Lamar under an obligation to get Sparks out of the land office and railroad the Wisconsin land grab through before he left the Interior Department? What else will explain his extraordinary haste, his refusal to listen to argument, and his summary demand for the official head of Sparks?"

The memorial of the St. Croix county supervisors calls for the particular attention of Spooner and Sawyer, the senators from Wisconsin. Do they contemplate voting to confirm Lamar as a Justice of the supreme court, or will they sit idly by and permit other republican senators to

## GOULD AND SAGE.

Some Talk of a Big Suit Against the Railway Magnates.

### UNCLE SAM THE COMPLAINANT.

Their Transcendental Union Pacific to the Basis for the Action at Law, and \$100,000,000 Damages to be Asked.

AFTER THE REVENUE OF THE RAIL. New York, Dec. 27.—There is talk here of a lawsuit to be brought in the name of the Attorney-General of the United States against the Union Pacific Railroad Company, claiming \$100,000,000 damages. As soon as Congress convenes again President Cleveland will submit for consideration the findings and recommendations of the special commission appointed to inquire into the affairs of the Pacific railroads and their Government relations.

A gentleman just back from Washington, where he enjoys the confidence of high official life, said yesterday: "It isn't at all certain yet that the two reports will go to Congress from the commission on the Pacific roads. The differences between Chairman Patterson and his colleagues are by no means so pronounced as much of the sensational gossip represents, and it is quite within the range of possibility that both sides will be agreed before Congress gets together again. The authority is the very best obtainable on that point. Much of the matter in both reports has been made familiar to me, though I am bound of course, to consider sacred the confidence reposed in me. This I can say, however, if the reports stand as originally drawn—that is, if the Commissioners do not see some good reason to change them—Congress will be forced to recommendations that will include the proposition to make Gould and Sage disgorge the profits they grabbed outright from the Union Pacific. Their own testimony about their share in the double-crossing of the government played with Kansas Pacific and Denver Pacific is evidence enough against them. On that alone any honest jury could convict them. Now, inasmuch as the Government is a creditor of the Union Pacific road, and the appropriation of the million that Gould and Sage grabbed was practically an injury to the Government, it is recommended that the Union Pacific Company be authorized to bring a suit in the name of the Government of the United States to compel reparation by Gould and Sage of \$100,000,000 or more."

**BARRILAS FIRMLY SEATED.**  
Guatemalan Revolutionists Under Ex-President Castano Halted.  
Nogales, A. T., Dec. 27.—Late advices from Guatemala says that the revolution against Dictator Barrillas, headed by ex-President Francisco Castano, has met with a humiliating defeat. There were two disaffected factions, one working from the eastern department and the other from the western. The former under Castano and the latter in charge of several well-known military men of the republic. The revolutionists were met by the federal troops in the mountains near the city of Guatemala, and after two hours' fight were most completely annihilated. The battle was most desperate and sanguinary, and at its conclusion the field was covered with the slain. Castano was wounded and the other generals were captured and shot.

**REFUSED A TITLE.**  
Count Andrius Declines to Accept from Austria's Emperor the Rank of Prince.  
Vienna, Dec. 27.—Emperor Francis Joseph, in a letter accompanying a Christmas gift to Count Andrius, says that the proposal of the emperor to grant him the rank of prince has been refused. The Count Andrius's energetic policy. It is said that when the Count returned from the Berlin Congress the Emperor wished to confer on him the rank of Prince. Count Andrius, however, refused the title and declined to accept an order, so that the Emperor's only way to honor the Count was to send him an autograph letter, which is the highest Austrian distinction.

**Deliberate's Sentence Announced.**  
LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Court of Sessions pronounced the sentence pronounced upon Daniel Doherty, the American who shot and killed Graham, as monstrous. It declares that the judgment of Judge Stephens was based by the opinion he has often expressed that drunkenness increases instead of lessens the gravity of the offense, a sentiment which mankind has pronounced contrary to common sense.

**Shot from Ambush.**  
CRAWFORD, Neb., Dec. 27.—William Sprague, colored seaman in the United States Cavalry, was shot dead from ambush Sunday night while on his way from here to Fort Robinson. As he was a strict abolitionist it is believed that he was killed by one of his men. He stood high in the esteem of his superiors and wore a medal for bravery in retreating children from Indians.

**Convention of Welsh Musical Societies.**  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 27.—The annual convention of the Welsh societies of Pittsburgh was held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday, and was participated in by several hundred singers from all parts of Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia. Prof. W. Applegate, of Union, N. Y., presided at the festival, and Prof. William Courtney, of New York, was the adjudicator on music.

**General John C. Fremont in Los Angeles.**  
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 27.—General John C. Fremont, accompanied by his wife and daughter, arrived here Sunday night. The General and his family propose to spend the remainder of the winter in Los Angeles or in this vicinity. While here he will complete the second volume of his memoirs.

**Gloucester's Vacation.**  
LONDON, Dec. 27.—Mr. Gladstone left Harward yesterday, on route for the continent. Five thousand persons gave him an enthusiastic welcome on his arrival at Chester. Large crowds gathered at all the places through which Mr. Gladstone passed, and he was received warmly everywhere.

**Unable to Pay Their Debts.**  
PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 27.—Messrs. Bros & Davis, dry-goods dealers, assigned yesterday to H. M. Cox. Liabilities, \$98,300; assets, a stock of goods. The firm succeeded E. H. Cooper, of Siegel, Cooper & Co., of Chicago, a year ago. There are scores of Eastern creditors.

**Mayor Hewitt Warned.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Manhattan Temperance Association at its meeting Sunday warned Mayor Hewitt that he must keep the saloons closed or steps would be taken to remove him from office.

**Frozen to Death in Texas.**  
DIE SPRING, Tex., Dec. 27.—The bodies of two men frozen to death were found near here yesterday. The weather is bitter cold.

**Brain workers should never be without the great brain invigorator, Vigor's Bitters.**  
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**ACARD.**  
All who are suffering from the errors and misdirections of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, etc., I will send a remedy that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This remedy was discovered by a missionary, Surgeon, in the East, and is a most valuable medicine. Send an addressed envelope to Mr. J. C. Acard, Station 2, New York City.

**Babies.**  
Infants, whether healthy, cross, or troubled with Windy Colic, Teething Pains, or Stomach Disorders, can be relieved at once by using Acker's Baby Soother. It contains no Opium or Morphine, hence is safe. Price 25 cents. Sold by

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## DANIEL MANNING'S FUNERAL.

Arrangements for the Ceremony—The President En Route for Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 27.—The funeral of Daniel Manning will take place this afternoon from the residence of his son. The remains will be viewed by the personal friends of the deceased to-day from 9 to 11 a. m. The President and members of his Cabinet will be the guests of Governor Hill from the Executive mansion they will proceed directly to the church.

At St. Paul's Church the regular Episcopal services for the dead will be said, the rector, Rev. J. Livingston Hanson, D. D., officiating, assisted by the Episcopal clergyman of the city. The pall-bearers will be Martin, Rufus W. Peckham, A. P. Gorman, Charles J. Condit, Sidney Webster, Conrad N. Jordan, Brewster, Corning, R. B. Conkling, Simon W. Russell, Samuel J. Randall, John H. Van Antwerp and Pascal P. Pratt. At the close of the services in the church the remains will be borne to the Rural Cemetery, followed by the members of the family and mourners in sleighs. At the mortuary chapel the burial prayer will be said by Rev. Dr. Reese, and the remains at once conveyed to the vault without further ceremony, where they will rest until spring.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The President, Secretary Bayard, Fairbank and Lamar, Senators—General Vilas, Attorney-General Garland and Colonel Lamont left Washington yesterday afternoon for Albany, to attend ex-Secretary Manning's funeral, in a special car attached to the U. S. Congressional limited express of the Pennsylvania road, and will arrive at Albany this morning. Secretary Whitney left yesterday morning, and he and Secretary Rudwick, who is in Massachusetts, will join the Presidential party at Albany this morning. The party will leave Albany for Washington immediately after the funeral, and will reach this city early Wednesday morning.

**MAXWELL CONVERTED.**  
The St. Louis Murderer Joins the Roman Catholic Church.  
St. Louis, Dec. 27.—Hugh M. Brooks, alias Maxwell, the young Englishman under sentence of death for the murder of Arthur Dudley, has embraced the Catholic faith. He had been a member of the Catholic Church since he was a child, but he had never been baptized. He was baptized yesterday by Rev. Father Tiller, of St. John's Church, the celebrant who has been Maxwell's confessor in the belief of the church.

Maxwell's case is still pending before the United States Supreme Court on motion for a hearing on a writ of habeas corpus. It is generally conceded that the Supreme Court can do nothing but affirm the judgment when the case is heard. It is said that Maxwell will be executed within a month after the affirmation. He has been busy for several months writing a physiological treatise of his crime. It is based on his defense, and purports to put on paper the thoughts that troubled him during the last few months of his life. His arrest at Anokand for the awful offense of murdering his friend, robbing him and packing his body in a trunk.

**THE POPE'S JUBILEE.**  
BERLIN, Dec. 27.—The Pope's jubilee was celebrated yesterday in St. Hedwig's Church, the principal Catholic church in Berlin. The new Emperor held in Cologne Cathedral was rung for the first time in honor of the Pope.

**Death on the Railroad Track.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Charles House, of Alexandria, Va., foreman of the Richmond & Danville Railroad Company's train, was killed in this city, was killed by a train near Alexandria, Sunday, as he was amusing his little daughter on the railroad track. The child was unhurt.

**Church Visits the Car.**  
LONDON, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that the Car gave audience yesterday to Lord Randolph Churchill. The Morning Post and Daily Telegraph both declare that Lord Randolph has no official mission. Lord Randolph refuses to be interviewed.

**German Prisoners to be Americanized.**  
BRAXTON, Dec. 27.—The German and Russian Departments of Justice have commissioned Judge Athollet to study and report upon the American penal system with a view of basing upon his observations a new penal system for Germany.

**Cigar-Makers Organize.**  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 27.—The cigar-makers here have formed a National cigar-makers' trade district with 1,700 members. The object of the organization is to abolish the practice of making cigars in tenement houses.

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Cloth, actual cost does not out any more with the price we are asking for short wraps. We have selected a line costing up to \$15 and \$20 and will close out \$12.50. These garments are all new and stylish. We are anxious to not to carry over a garment; therefore the low prices. **BORN, BARNES & CO.**

A complete line of black dress goods. All the new figures and weaves at bottom prices. **BORN, BARNES & CO.**

Gentlemen's clothing renovated in a superior manner; satisfaction guaranteed, repairing neatly done. **THOS. E. ADDEY, 54 North Franklin street.**

Lost—A Knight of Pythias charm and a fob chain. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at R. W. McLean's drug store.

Lost—In the postoffice last Sunday, a small black marked Harry B. Clark, and a book marked C. S. S. S. Will finder please leave at Gazette office.

Good wood sawed in stove lengths at \$4 per cord. **J. H. GATELEY.**

Dinners for 1888. Call early and get your choice at Sutherland's.

Everything in water goods at cut prices to reduce stock before annual inventory. **BORN, BARNES & CO.**

The great holiday sale will continue one week longer with a full line of goods at Sutherland's.

Good four foot wood, \$3.00 per cord. **J. H. GATELEY.**

Go to Golling's for Sutherland's, Kraus's or Wright & Rich's fine home-made candies in all the choicest varieties. When in search of the finest holiday candies call on Mr. Golling.

"If you are naughty, do be merciful," said the priest to the priest. "I can't," he replied. "The people must be pleased and you will have to take a tumble." Got our cost prices on wool cloaks and short wraps before buying. We are slaughtering them.

**J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.** Vienna's notes on Sunday school lessons of 1888 at Sutherland's.

"Waiting and Watching" is the title of a pretty song recently published. The people of this city have been waiting and watching for some one to turn up who can discount J. M. Bostwick & Sons' prices, but he does not materialize. The moral is: Do not wait or watch any longer, but make tracks for J. M. Bostwick & Sons. The low prices at which they offer winter cloaks and short wraps, will astonish you—at cost and below cost everything is going.

Special handkerchief sale for the 10 days at Archie Reid's.

WANTED—Six horses to winter at my farm one mile east of town. Good standing and plenty of feed. **WILSON LANE.**

Brown's fleece lined rubbers at 50 cents is the bargain of the town.

See our big line of handkerchiefs at 2 cents this week, at Archie Reid's.

These intending to present their friends with an easy chair for a Christmas present, can save money by calling at Sanborn's stove and furniture store 18 and 20 North Main street.

20,000 bushels of coke will warm many homes this winter. Leave your orders with J. H. Gately.

Best bargains in the city in handkerchiefs this week at Archie Reid's.

A large line of buffalo, wolf and goat robes cheapest in the city at J. A. Fathens', corner Court and Main streets.

Be sure to see Stearns & Baker's holiday display before buying a present.

See our handkerchiefs in linen handkerchiefs at 50 cents this week, at Archie Reid's.

Special handkerchief sale for the next ten days at Archie Reid's.

Turkish baths magnificently relieve worst colic.

Largest assortment of plush goods at lowest prices at Stearns & Baker's.

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## BRIEF NEWS.

"Lady Audley's Secret" at Lappin's hall this evening.

—It being a legal holiday there was no meeting of the common council last evening.

—The Odd Fellows' hall this evening—regular weekly meeting.

—The boys are having considerable fun coasting on the east side hills. Fourth avenue seems to be the favorite resort of many.

—Mrs. Harriet and Mrs. Edward McKee gave a pleasant domino party last evening at the home of Mrs. Harriet McKee on South Main street.

—Oriental Lodge No. 22, Knights of Pythias, assembled in regular weekly session this evening—Casio hall, Jeffries block, West Milwaukee street.

—As a matter of course, a fair sized audience attended the "double-broke" Udder Tom's Oubun" variety performance at the opera house last evening.

—J. P. Worthington was before the municipal court to-day to answer to the charge of violating the eleven o'clock ordinance.

—The Ladies Christian Union of the First Methodist church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Charles Louthain, on South River street. A full attendance is requested.

—The Y. M. C. O. dance on Thursday evening will be in the Light Infantry armory. This will be one of the grandest parties of the season. The club is now arranging for their annual masquerade, to take place sometime in February.

—The anniversary celebration of the Grand Temple of Honor that was to have occurred on Thursday the 25th inst., is postponed on account of the death of Brother J. M. Alden, who was prominently connected with the order.

**L. CANTER, W. C.**

—Willie Denniston entertained a large number of his young associates at a Christmas party last evening, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Denniston, Madison street, first ward.

The youngsters had a right royal time, and enjoyed the evening in a most pleasant manner.

—The gentle south wind prevailing at an early hour this morning suddenly shifted to the north, bringing with it driving storm of light snow, which commenced falling about ten o'clock.

The snow is drifting somewhat, and should the storm continue long there is danger of a blockade.

—As a further testimonial of the respect for their late business manager, Mr. Albert J. Glass, the directors of the Janesville Machine Co., on last Saturday just previous to his departure for Batavia, New York, presented him a purse of five hundred dollars, accompanying the resolutions published in the Gazette on Saturday.

—The east side fire steamer was taken down to the artesian well at the water works pumping house this afternoon for the purpose of pumping water out of the pit surrounding the well, in order to allow the pipe to be disconnected and an elbow attached to connect the well with the pumping pit and reservoir. The boys are having a rather stormy time of it.

—The committee having in charge the detail arrangements for the Charity Ball on New Year's evening, have the matter well in hand and are determined to make it the grandest success of the season. The ball is gotten up for the benefit of a most worthy object—in aid of the City Hospital fund—and should receive the cordial support of everyone. The party will be given at the Guards' armory; tickets, \$1 per couple. Extra ladies, 50 cents each. Music by Anderson's full band.

—Last evening some sneak thief entered the residence of Conductor and Mrs. Marion Clark, Center street, fifth ward, and took from the hat and coat rack in the hall way an overcoat belonging to Mr. Fred A. Vankirk, in one of the pockets being a twenty dollar note making Mr. Vankirk's loss about fifty dollars. The coat was missed between nine and ten o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Vankirk were visiting at Mr. Clark's, and it was not until they were taking their departure for their own home that the coat and note were missed. The hat door had been left unlocked during the evening, making it an easy matter for the sneak to secure his "booty". The police were immediately notified, but so far they have not been able to find the missing articles.

—The funeral of the late James M. Alden was held at two o'clock this afternoon at the home of deceased, North bluff street second ward, and notwithstanding the severe storm prevailing, was attended by a large number of friends of the family, especially by the old residents of the city. The members of Crystal Temple of Honor were present in a body, wearing funeral badges in respect to their departed companion. There were many beautiful floral tributes laid upon the coffin by sympathizing friends. The services were conducted by the Rev. S. P. Willder, pastor of the Congregational church, who paid a fitting tribute to the noble characteristics of the deceased, alluding to him as a true descendant of the old Puritan John Alden, of the Mayflower. The beautiful and appropriate song service was by a quartet consisting of Mrs. C. L. Clark, Mrs. O. Wells, Ray Meers, C. L. Clark and C. N. Vankirk. At the conclusion of the services the remains were taken to Oak Hill cemetery for burial, the pall bearers being Messrs. Fenner Kimball, Wm. A. Lawrence, B. F. Crockett, James Estlin, D. C. Ward and F. S. Eldred.

**PERSONAL.**

—Mr. C. J. Blakeley, Glen street, second ward, who has been traveling in the east, is spending the holidays at home.

—Mrs. H. A. Watson, of Milwaukee, is in the city, a guest of Mrs. Amer on Franklin St.

—Hon. Levi Alden, of the Madison Journal, is in the city to-day, called here to attend the funeral of his brother, the late James M. Alden, which took place at two o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Alden returns to Madison on the evening train.

Toilet sets, jewel boxes, work-boxes, manicure sets, gent's dressing cases, collar and cuff boxes, at prices lower than any other place in the city at Stearns & Baker's.

Leave your orders under the First National Bank for checks, the cheapest fuel in the city. **J. H. GATELEY.**

## FOURTEEN HOURS AN HOUR.

Arriving from Edgerton to Janesville in Fifty-Eight Minutes.

Half a dozen Edgerton horsemen came in on the 9:30 train. For a few minutes they waited inside the depot, then took their watches and stationed themselves on the end of the platform.

"He's got to get here within the next four minutes," said one of the group at last as he looked anxiously up and down the street.

"Well, he'll do it; you needn't worry," said another. That trip will be made inside the hour or something will bust. Hello! What did I tell you? There he comes now.

And come he did! It was just five minutes of ten, when the long-necked black mare that the men were waiting for, dashed into sight. But there were still four blocks to cover, and as the horse reached the corner of Fifth and West street, one side of the center went into the air, the two men on the seat gave a loud shout and both went headlong into a snow drift.

"Oh, Lordy! He's lost!" wailed one of the group. "No; he's caught the horse. Here he comes after all. Hi there! Hi there! Skip! Skip! SCOOT! Go—You've got to go!"

And at precisely one minute and forty-five seconds before ten, the black mare plunged across the track, stopping, all covered with foam, in front of the depot platform.

"Get"—a white haired old man, with his coat covered with snow, took off his hat and swung it exultingly. "Whoop! He yeeled. 'I won and I've got two minutes to spare.'"

"You did not. You had to be here two minutes before ten and you lost. You tipped me over besides, gosh dang your old carcass."

The second speaker was another old-timer apparently about sixty years of age who answered to the name of William Leonard. He had bet twenty-five dollars that no horse in Edgerton could take a cutter and two men from the Edgerton depot to the Janesville depot within an hour. Thanks Cook, the otherspeaker, had accepted the bet and had won. The trial was arranged two weeks ago. Cook being allowed to try any time within the month.

According to three time keepers the start was made as precisely nine o'clock. The road chosen was the one crossing the river at Indian Ford. Cook could, although using a heavy cutter, have made the distance with five minutes to spare had it not been for one or two mishaps on the way, the last of which was the tip-over.

The mare driven, although nothing more than a common farm animal, showed a good stride, and covered the ground surprisingly fast. The performance was certainly a remarkable one, although it can hardly go down in the sporting annals of the year as a breaker of records. The best time ever made in a fifteen mile trotting contest is 41:37.

**AT ECKLETON FARM.**

A Pleasant Christmas Gathering at the Eckleton Home of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Woodruff.

Christmas in Janesville this season, seems, by common consent to extend through many days. Among the various pleasant ways in which it has been observed was the gathering last evening, of a goodly number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Woodruff at their home upon Eckleton farm. Not only were the invited guests "bidden to the feast" but conveyances were sent for them through the generous courtesy of their host.

One of these conveyances, drawn by four horses, was improvised for the occasion from a hay rack, and being decidedly unique in its make up, it was enjoyed by those who had the fun of riding in it.

The residence of Mr. Woodruff was brilliantly illuminated without, making a pretty picture with its snowy background; while within the rooms were tastefully decorated with evergreen and wreaths of holly and from the arched doorway was hung the mistletoe bough. A variety of amusements was provided for the guests. Beside the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff from the city there were present the entire force of the employees of the premises thus reminding one of the old English custom. Santa Claus also came that way, bringing a gift for each of the children present. After refreshments were served the time came all too soon when each bade one and all a happy Christmas good night.

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**TOBACCO SALES.**

Sales of Seed Leaf Tobacco reported by J. S. Gans and Co., Tobacco Brokers, No. 131 Water street, New York, for the week ending Dec. 27, '97:

520 cases, crop of 1887-88, Pennsylvania, at 90 to 100 cents.

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Exercises Held in the City Last Evening.

—Santa Claus came to Court street church last evening in the person of J. Brigham Mayner. He was accompanied by his wife, represented by Miss Florence Dye, and by all his children. According to the canon, Santa started on this year taking his whole family with him. They came to grief in the first chimney, however, and from that on the canon was a recital of how the children's saint finally decided to spend one Christmas as other people do, and leave all the houses but the one where he had stopped until some other day. Besides the canon there were readings, songs and tableaux. The programme throughout was remarkably good and the audience was pleased accordingly.

—Concordia hall was the scene of merriment last evening, the occasion being the Christmas entertainment for the amusement of the children. A handsome Christmas tree loaded with presents for the little ones was one of the prominent features of the social gathering. Music and singing, followed by a social dance, was the order of entertainment. Refreshments were served in abundance, and all—old and young—enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

—There was a large gathering at the Norwegian Lutheran church last evening to witness the Christmas entertainment for the benefit of the children of the Sunday school. Here as in many of the other churches, the Christmas tree was the prominent feature of the occasion. A beautiful tree loaded with presents for the little ones caused all hearts to overflow with gladness, and the bright faces of the children told in silent words that all were happy.

**WINCHESTER TOBACCO.**

Most of the week's trading has been in 50 Cents.

Those that bought last during the week past, paid most of their attention to the crop of 1887. Most of the choice lots in this crop have now been cleaned out and consequently only a few dealers are in the market at all. Considerable wrapper and binder stock is going from Wisconsin to the eastern markets, and is being disposed of at a very fair figure.

The weather for the past three weeks has been all the tobacco farmers could ask for. The greater portion of the crop is in the bundle, and ready for the buyers.

**A New Map.**

Among the latest exhibitions of what it is possible to accomplish by the engraver's art is a large pocket map just issued by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railway, showing the route from Chicago and the Pacific ocean in detail. A copy will be mailed free on address upon application to C. H. Warren, Gen. Pass. Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

**THE WEATHER.**

At seven o'clock this morning the thermometer indicated 27 degrees above zero. Cloudy with south wind.

At one o'clock p. m. the register was 21 degrees above zero. Light snow with north wind. For the corresponding hour one year ago the register was 20 and 4 degrees below zero.

**JOHNSTOWN.**

—The tax collector comes as regular as Christmas, and his drafts on the people are full as large, but they do not go into the stockings. Many people that have up to the neck in debt, are now up to the neck in cash to meet the demand.

—The ladies of the Congregational society are preparing an entertainment that will be interesting to all who may come to their supper Saturday evening.

—The numerous railroad snafus have a tendency to keep the people at home a little more than usual as they are so afraid that they are not willing to trust themselves to ride on the roads where no one may be missed and losing their lives.

—B. B. Woodbury returned to Berlin, Meigs, Ohio, this week, where he will engage in lumbering on his timber land at that place. He has with him his best man, Mr. Galepie; also, a carload of horses, tools, etc. Mr. Galepie will spend the winter with relatives and friends in Iowa and Dakota.

—The country payers still ran on their notes, paying 25 cents for cream but some of the patrons have refused to deliver any more thinking that there is a steal somewhere. They can well afford to pay twenty-five cents for their cream, and Mr. C. T. Baker, of Savannah, Ill., for thirty-two cents per pound.

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